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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BOOZMAN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, March 11, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN BOOZMAN to act as Speaker pro tempore on

> J. DENNIS HASTERT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God, our strength and courage, You have been and remain our Saviour.

Your people in their desert exodus from bondage to freedom were shielded by a cloud during the day and protected by a pillar of fire at night.

Again, Your overshadowing spirit brought Your word to life in the virgin womb and You brighten the world with everlasting light.

As we pray today, we acknowledge the cloud as a sign of Your abiding presence and the fire as the enlightenment needed by this Congress and this Nation at this time in our history.

Six months have passed since the day of our evacuation from this hallowed Chamber. Now here we stand. Our life has changed. Our determination is strong. Our cause is just. And our desire is a secure peace.

Manifest Your presence to Your people once again. Guard us and guide us. For we do not know the next move of terror as we journey to keep covenant with You, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, March 8, 2002. Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on March 8, 2002 at 1:31 p.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 102.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

MARTHA C. MORRISON, Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, March 8, 2002.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT, The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on March 8, 2002 at 10:43 a.m.

That the Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 3090.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely.

MARTHA C. MORRISON. Deputy Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bill on Friday, March 8, 2002:

H.R. 3090, to provide tax incentives for economic recovery.

REMOVAL AS CONFEREE AND AP-POINTMENT OF CONFEREE ON H.R. 2646, FARM SECURITY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and pursuant to clause 11 of rule I, the Chair removes the gentleman from North Carolina BALLENGER) as a conferee on H.R. 2646. Agriculture, Conservation and Rural Enhancement Act of 2002, and appoints the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. BARTLETT) to fill the vacancy.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will notify the Senate of the change in conferees.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

